

COUNCIL FOR THE BOROUGH OF DUNMORE

HELD:

Monday, May 12th, 2025

TIME:

6:00 P.M.

LOCATION:

DUNMORE COMMUNITY CENTER  
1414 Monroe Avenue  
Dunmore, Pennsylvania

C O U N C I L      M E M B E R S :

JANET BRIER - President

KATHERINE OVEN - Vice President

MICHAEL DEMPSEY

THOMAS HALLINAN

ELIZABETH ZANGARDI

WILLIAM O'MALLEY, III

PATRICK LOUGHNEY

GREG WOLFF, Borough Manager

MICHAEL P. PERRY, Esquire, Solicitor

MARIA McCOOL, RPR  
OFFICIAL COURT REPORTER

1 (Pledge of Allegiance.)

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3 MR. WOLFF: Roll call, Mayor Conway.

4 MAYOR CONWAY: Here.

5 MR. WOLFF: Mr. Loughney.

6 MR. LOUGHNEY: Here.

7 MR. WOLFF: Mr. Dempsey.

8 MR. DEMPSEY: Here.

9 MR. WOLFF: Mr. O'Malley.

10 MR. O'MALLEY: Here.

11 MR. WOLFF: Mrs. Brier.

12 MS. BRIER: Here.

13 MR. WOLFF: Mrs. Mackrell Oven.

14 MS. OVEN: Here.

15 MR. WOLFF: Mrs. Zangardi.

16 MS. ZANGARDI: Here.

17 MR. WOLFF: Mr. Hallinan.

18 MR. HALLINAN: Here.

19 MR. WOLFF: Number three, public  
20 comment on agenda items.

21 MS. BRIER: Does anyone have any  
22 comment on agenda items only?

23 MR. WOLFF: Number four. Motion to  
24 approve the minutes of the meeting from the  
25 April 14th, 2025 meeting.

1 MS. BRIER: May I have a motion to  
2 approve the minutes from the April 14th, 2025  
3 meeting?

4 MR. O'MALLEY: So moved.

5 MR. LOUGHNEY: Second.

6 MS. BRIER: I have a motion and a  
7 second. Anyone on the question? All those in  
8 favor.

9 ALL MEMBERS: Aye.

10 MS. BRIER: Opposed?

11 MR. WOLFF: Number five, motion to  
12 approve and pay the open bills.

13 MS. BRIER: Okay. We need a  
14 motion to approve and pay the open bills.

15 MR. LOUGHNEY: So moved.

16 MS. BRIER: A second?

17 MR. HALLINAN: Second.

18 MS. BRIER: I have a motion and a  
19 second. Anyone on the question? All those in  
20 favor.

21 ALL MEMBERS: Aye.

22 MS. BRIER: Opposed?

23 MR. WOLFF: Number six, the moment  
24 we've all been waiting for, motion to accept  
25 proclamation for Charles Arnone, 100-year-old

1 resident.

2 MS. BRIER: It's my great pleasure  
3 to ask for a motion to accept the proclamation  
4 for Charles Arnone, 100-year-old resident.

5 MR. LOUGHNEY: So moved.

6 MR. O'MALLEY: Second.

7 MS. BRIER: I have a motion and a  
8 second. All those in favor.

9 ALL MEMBERS: Aye.

10 MS. BRIER: Opposed?

11 (No response.)

12 MAYOR CONWAY: Hi, everybody.

13 Thanks for coming. This is one of my favorite  
14 things that I get to do as Mayor honoring a  
15 great resident like Chuck here. So I do have a  
16 proclamation to read:

17 **WHEREAS**, as a lifelong Borough  
18 Resident, Charles S. "Chuck" Arnone Sr., born  
19 April 25, 1925, celebrated  
20 his 100th birthday and

21 **WHEREAS**, Charles was married to  
22 Carmel Arnone for 57 years until her passing  
23 and raised a beautiful family of 2 children, 4  
24 granddaughters, 8 great grandchildren and 1  
25 great, great grandson and

1                   **WHEREAS**, Charles retired a Master  
2                   Sergeant from the U.S. Army after 38 years of  
3                   service, his military units included the 90th  
4                   Infantry Division, 357th Infantry Regiment and  
5                   the 1st Cavalry Division, and

6                   **WHEREAS**, while serving in World War  
7                   II his unit liberated Flossenborg discovering  
8                   salt mines loaded with Nazi gold immortalized  
9                   in the movie "Monuments Men."

10                  **WHEREAS**, in the Korean War was  
11                  awarded the Bronze Medal for remaining  
12                  steadfast in his duties while in  
13                  constant danger to maintain essential  
14                  communications, and

15                  **WHEREAS**, Charles had a long and  
16                  distinguished military and post military career  
17                  and

18                  **WHEREAS**, his greatest accomplishment  
19                  and legacy is being the greatest "papa" to all  
20                  his grandchildren and

21                  **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that Monday,  
22                  **May 12, 2025** be designated, as **Charles Arnone**  
23                  **Day**. We encourage all citizens of the Borough  
24                  of Dunmore to give special honor and recognize  
25                  Charles for his lifetime of achievements.

1 MR. WOLFF: All right. Number  
2 seven, motion to accept CDBG modification  
3 certification for years 2020 for \$1,000;  
4 2021 there was for the agenda, but I forgot it.  
5 But it's 4,359.36; 2023, \$169,239; and 2024,  
6 \$165,788. I'm sorry, that's it.

7 MS. BRIER: May I have a motion to  
8 accept the CDBG modification certifications for  
9 the years 2020, 2021, 2023, 2024 for \$1,000 and  
10 then what was the 40 --

11 MR. WOLFF: 2021 was \$4,359.36.

12 MS. BRIER: Okay, and 359.36,  
13 169,239 and 165,788.

14 MR. LOUGHNEY: So moved.

15 MS. OVEN: Second.

16 MS. BRIER: I have a motion and a  
17 second. Greg, can you just explain that?

18 MR. WOLFF: Sure can. So the CDBG  
19 funding that's where we're doing our Chestnut  
20 Street project. They had to move some money  
21 around. We did have a placeholder for first  
22 time home buyers. So they are transferring all  
23 the money back into our Chestnut Street project  
24 account.

25 And the county is requesting these

1           modification certifications. And obviously to  
2           be completed at a public Council meeting.

3                   MS. BRIER: Anyone else on the  
4           question? All those in favor.

5                   ALL MEMBERS: Aye.

6                   MS. BRIER: Opposed?

7                   MR. WOLFF: Number eight, motion to  
8           accept PennDOT agility work plan. PennDOT will  
9           complete crosswalk painting. In exchange, the  
10          Borough will street sweep state roads in the  
11          Borough, \$14,287 in services exchanged.

12                  MS. BRIER: Can I have a motion to  
13          accept PennDOT agility work plan? PennDOT will  
14          complete crosswalk painting. And in exchange,  
15          the Borough the sweep state roads in the  
16          Borough, \$14,287 in services exchanged.

17                  MR. O'MALLEY: So moved.

18                  MR. DEMPSEY: Second.

19                  MS. BRIER: I have a motion and a  
20          second. Anyone on the question?

21                  MR. WOLFF: Hal, do you want to or  
22          do you want me to?

23                  MR. HALLINAN: No, it's just an  
24          exchange of services where they will perform  
25          crosswalk painting and then we do, you know,

1 the street sweeper from the Borough will do  
2 Drinker Street and Blakely Street, O'Neill  
3 Highway, Harper Street, Grant Street. So  
4 that's all it is. There is no money exchanged  
5 and it's a great deal. It works out well.

6 MS. BRIER: We desperately need the  
7 crosswalks.

8 MR. WOLFF: Yeah, they -- crosswalks  
9 are going to basically be from the Borough  
10 Building on Pine Street, on Blakely Street, all  
11 the way down Blakely Street to East Warren  
12 Street. So even Delaware Street in front of  
13 Nardozzi's along that Blakely Street corridor,  
14 all of those crosswalks will be repainted.

15 MR. O'MALLEY: Hopefully Green Ridge  
16 Street.

17 MR. WOLFF: Yeah, we'll discuss  
18 Green Ridge Street with them.

19 MS. BRIER: All those in favor.

20 ALL MEMBERS: Aye.

21 MS. BRIER: Opposed?

22 MR. WOLFF: Number nine, motion to  
23 accept Miller Sports Construction proposal in  
24 the amount of \$6,650 to sand and refinish the  
25 Community Center gym floor.



1 MS. BRIER: Can I have a motion to  
2 accept Miller Sports Construction proposal in  
3 the amount of \$6,650 to sand and refinish the  
4 Community Center gym floor?

5 MR. DEMPSEY: I'll make that motion.

6 MR. LOUGHNEY: Second.

7 MS. BRIER: I have a motion and a  
8 second. Anyone on the question?

9 MR. DEMPSEY: On the question,  
10 Miller comes and does the gym floor in the  
11 Community Center every year. We get it done.  
12 Chris, thank you for scheduling it and getting  
13 that proposal together. It will be done in  
14 midOctober I think.

15 MR. KEARNEY: Yeah, I was going to  
16 talk about this later. But basically there is  
17 two large events in the beginning of October.  
18 The seniors have their purse bingo. And the  
19 Indian community have another thing here.

20 And there's a real lot of traffic.  
21 So instead doing it before they get in there, I  
22 wait until they're done and it's good for --

23 MS. BRIER: Chris, what about the  
24 election though in November?

25 MR. DEMPSEY: It gives it enough

1 time to air out.

2 MR. KEARNEY: It will be fine by  
3 then. Right now we're scheduled for October  
4 14th. Election Day isn't until November 6th.  
5 It takes five days. And then once that's --  
6 it's fine.

7 We did it -- we did it the same time  
8 last year and we had no complaints at all,  
9 yeah.

10 MS. BRIER: Thanks.

11 MR. KEARNEY: Okay.

12 MS. BRIER: Anyone else on the  
13 question? All those in favor.

14 ALL MEMBERS: Aye.

15 MS. BRIER: Opposed?

16 MR. WOLFF: Number 10, motion to  
17 approve professional services agreement with  
18 Greenman-Pedersen, Inc., for engineering  
19 services.

20 MS. BRIER: Can I have a motion to  
21 approve professional services agreement with  
22 Greenman-Pedersen, Inc., for engineering  
23 services. We know it by GPI as well. Can I  
24 have a motion?

25 MS. ZANGARDI: I'll make it. I'll

1 make that motion.

2 MS. OVEN: I'll second.

3 MS. BRIER: I have a motion and a  
4 second. Anyone on the question?

5 MR. WOLFF: Just quickly, this is to  
6 authorize them. They went through the PennDOT  
7 bidding process for them to do specifically the  
8 Keystone Industrial project. And they'll be  
9 authorized to do any PennDOT work for us for  
10 the next five years.

11 MS. BRIER: Anyone else on the  
12 question? All those in favor.

13 ALL MEMBERS: Aye.

14 MS. BRIER: Opposed?

15 MR. WOLFF: Number 11, motion to  
16 approve Resolution 7 of 2025 to authorize and  
17 direct Borough Manager, Greg Wolff to sign  
18 PennDOT agreement R25040010 for the Keystone  
19 Industrial Park road improvements.

20 MS. BRIER: May I have a motion to  
21 approve Resolution 7 of 2025 to authorize and  
22 direct Borough Manager, Greg Wolff to sign  
23 PennDOT agreement R25040010 for the Keystone  
24 Industrial Park road improvements.

25 MS. ZANGARDI: I'll make that

1 motion.

2 MR. O'MALLEY: Second.

3 MS. BRIER: I have a motion and a  
4 second. Anyone on the question?

5 MR. HALLINAN: On the question? I  
6 just want to say this road is well overdue.  
7 It's worn out. The shoulders are above the  
8 roadway. The water is laying right on the  
9 road. This road is in dire need of repair and  
10 I'm glad we're taking the first step to get  
11 this repaired.

12 MS. BRIER: It's actually shrinking.

13 MR. HALLINAN: Correct. Yeah, the  
14 pavement is wearing away.

15 MS. BRIER: Yeah, on the edges.  
16 And, you know, there's a lot of folks that walk  
17 up there from Maid-Rite who work at Maid-Rite.  
18 There's a lot of folks that get the bus and get  
19 dropped off at Price Chopper because that's the  
20 bus stop.

21 So we're going -- another bus stop.  
22 It will be a bike lane, a walking lane and  
23 they'll fix the road which is in dire need of  
24 fixing. So this project has been going on for  
25 years. We got some state money. And we got

1           some federal money. I think we're good to go  
2           finally -- hopefully. Anyone else on the  
3           question?

4                   MR. O'MALLEY: Yeah, it's all due to  
5           Janet's hard work, 1.8 million dollars. I  
6           mean, the other -- Greg put a lot of time into  
7           that as well. But you got the ball rolling. I  
8           just want to acknowledge that.

9                   MS. BRIER: Thanks, Trip. Thanks.  
10          Anyone else on the question? Did you have  
11          anything, Greg?

12                   MR. WOLFF: No, I was just going to  
13          explain this is just part of the process to get  
14          this going. They'll constantly be sending me  
15          forms to sign. So this will authorize me to do  
16          it.

17                   MS. BRIER: All those in favor.

18                   ALL MEMBERS: Aye.

19                   MS. BRIER: Opposed?

20                   MR. WOLFF: Number 12, motion to  
21          approve Dennis Reed as a part-time firefighter.

22                   MS. BRIER: May I have a motion to  
23          approve Dennis Reed as a part-time firefighter?

24                   MR. HALLINAN: I'll make that  
25          motion.

1 MS. OVEN: I'll second.

2 MS. BRIER: I have a motion and a  
3 second. Anyone on the question?

4 MR. WOLFF: Chief DeNaples, you went  
5 through all the process, right?

6 CHIEF DENAPLES: Yeah, so Dennis  
7 went through the physical agility test, the  
8 application review, the police department did  
9 the background and driver's license. There is  
10 one thing that he needs to complete. So he  
11 needs to complete pump operations, one which is  
12 scheduled for this month.

13 One date was delayed due to an  
14 instructor issue. So as soon as he gets me  
15 proof that he completed that, we could start  
16 the orientation process. Because if we don't  
17 he doesn't have a base with driving the pump.

18 It's just going to extend that  
19 orientation. We're just going to be paying out  
20 a lot of money. He needs to go get a base. He  
21 was very honest in the interview and gave us  
22 his background which we appreciate. A lot of  
23 times we bring people in here and they don't  
24 have the base and the orientation is just  
25 strung out forever and we just keep paying. So

1           this is the best route to go. So it is going  
2           to be completed this month tentatively.

3                     One day he was moved and he's been  
4           keeping me updated in real time. And I  
5           forwarded him the information for, you know,  
6           civil service exam.

7                     MS. BRIER: Very good. Very good.  
8           Thank you. Thanks so much.

9                     MR. O'MALLEY: Thanks, Chief.

10                    MS. BRIER: Anyone else on the  
11           question? All those in favor.

12                    ALL MEMBERS: Aye.

13                    MS. BRIER: Opposed?

14                    MR. WOLFF: Number 13, Treasurer  
15           Report, Mark.

16                    MR. BURTON: Good evening, Council.  
17           Our financial summary for the month of April,  
18           we had a net income of the month of 1.3 million  
19           dollars, which brings our year-to-date net  
20           income to 2.7 million dollars.

21                    As far as some highlights from the  
22           income side, we continue to see a continued  
23           uptick in the real estate tax collections,  
24           another 1.5 million dollars this month.

25                    As far as miscellaneous revenue, we

1 had \$18,000 Express Script rebate for the  
2 fourth quarter of 2024; \$18,000 subsidiary --  
3 for retirees for 2024 was 18,000. Twenty  
4 thousand dollars in insurance claims for a  
5 totaled police cruiser.

6 Special assessments, the landfill  
7 fees for this quarter \$576,000. On the expense  
8 side, debt principal we paid down \$100,000 on  
9 the TAN. So there is another hundred that we  
10 paid off in May as well, but we'll get to that  
11 next month.

12 Retirement and pension, \$60,000  
13 partial MMO payment. And insurance premiums,  
14 \$76,000 for our quarterly auto liability  
15 installment for the 2025 premium. That's all I  
16 have.

17 MR. HALLINAN: Thanks, Mark.

18 MS. BRIER: Anyone have any  
19 questions for Mark?

20 ALL MEMBERS: Thanks, Mark.

21 MR. WOLFF: Mr. Kearney.

22 MR. KEARNEY: These past several  
23 weeks we've had -- continued to host parties in  
24 this room. This Thursday we'll have the  
25 seniors have their pasta dinner. They do it



1 biannually to raise money for their, you know,  
2 things going on here. It's from 4:00 to 7:00  
3 on Thursday.

4 There is also a party scheduled for  
5 Sunday in here. As for the gym, we recently  
6 wrapped up our rental agreement with Riverfront  
7 Sports. They were here for nine weeks. We  
8 continue our weekly rental with Electric City  
9 Blitz until the beginning of June.

10 And then they are coming back.  
11 Mr. Dempsey and I set it up today with -- they  
12 are starting in July until September. So they  
13 are going to be renting it again. Also, there  
14 are several Dunmore grade school teams still  
15 practicing.

16 And coach Toomey and the Lady Bucks  
17 is also giving private lessons there. Next  
18 Tuesday is Election Day. So we'll be closing  
19 Monday at six so we could set up the machines  
20 and everything.

21 And I would like to thank Council  
22 for approving the refinish of the gym. I  
23 scheduled it for midOctober. You have to  
24 schedule these guys out, like, way in advance.  
25 They are the biggest group on the east coast.

1           They do all the colleges. Like, you name a  
2           college, they're doing it for them. You have  
3           to get them way in advance. And they do a  
4           great job. I mean, I think everybody sees the  
5           floors. Thank you.

6                   MS. BRIER: Chris, I just want to  
7           thank you for all the work you've done, you and  
8           Jordan, the painting. And it's a vast  
9           improvement.

10                   MR. KEARNEY: Okay, thank you.

11                   MS. OVEN: It looks great.

12                   MS. ZANGARDI: It does look great.  
13           Chris, thank you for everything.

14                   MR. KEARNEY: You're welcome.

15                   MR. WOLFF: Mr. Judge.

16                   MR. JUDGE: How's it going? We had  
17           a problem today. I got three garbage trucks  
18           down. He has two of them up here, Bobby  
19           Morgan. And the other third one he had to send  
20           out. Now, that we'll be covered except the  
21           recycling and the --

22                   MS. BRIER: Didge, is that Bucktown  
23           Truck Sales and Service, is that Bobby Morgan?

24                   MR. JUDGE: Yes.

25                   MS. BRIER: We're paying them

1           \$43,000 this month.

2                   MR. JUDGE: I know. I was up there  
3           every week --

4                   MS. BRIER: Didn't we get three new  
5           trucks?

6                   MR. JUDGE: No, we have two new ones  
7           that we got -- well, actually three.

8                   MS. BRIER: That's what I thought,  
9           yeah.

10                  MR. JUDGE: And they are on the road  
11           too. They're all going to be out tomorrow.  
12           They are smaller trucks though, Janet. They  
13           have to dump two, sometimes three times with  
14           those trucks. They're a smaller truck.

15                  I'm just letting you know I'm going  
16           to leave here now. I was up Morgan's after  
17           work. I'm going to go up now and see where he  
18           got with them because he had -- one up on the  
19           Industrial Park, they said that should be done  
20           by morning.

21                  So if that happens, we'll have all  
22           the trucks -- at least three garbage trucks and  
23           a recycle truck.

24                  MS. ZANGARDI: Do you know what's  
25           wrong with them? Did he say or could you tell

1           every time --

2                   MR. JUDGE: Two of them is the same  
3           thing and it's going to take three weeks to get  
4           the part. These trucks are ten years old.  
5           Even parts are hard to get for them now. But  
6           I'll get back with you tomorrow. I'll let you  
7           know if we got them or how long it's going to  
8           take.

9                   MS. BRIER: Are we having a lot of  
10          absenteeism in the department as well? What's  
11          going on?

12                  MR. JUDGE: Yes. Today there was 10  
13          guys off.

14                  MS. OVEN: Was it called off sick or  
15          was it scheduled?

16                  MR. JUDGE: No, sick. So I don't  
17          know if something is going on. You know, it  
18          is --

19                  MS. BRIER: It's a Monday.

20                  MR. JUDGE: And Monday and golf, but  
21          it's usually not that bad, Janet. Do you know  
22          what I mean? This is rare. But I had 10 guys  
23          off today. We got everything up though. I'll  
24          get back with you.

25                  MR. HALLINAN: So we'll be on

1 schedule, right?

2 MR. JUDGE: Yeah, so far we're on  
3 schedule.

4 MS. BRIER: Didge, there's in the  
5 alley behind Ragnacci's they are asking again  
6 if you could just patch if you don't mind.  
7 Thank you.

8 MR. JUDGE: You know what, Janet, we  
9 patched that a ton of times. But it needs to  
10 be topped basically. Do you know what I mean?  
11 But we'll patch it. We'll get it patched. All  
12 right? Okay?

13 MS. BRIER: Thank you.

14 ALL MEMBERS: Thanks, Didge.

15 MR. WOLFF: Chief Marchese.

16 CHIEF MARCHESE: Monthly report for  
17 April. We responded to 1,065 calls for  
18 service. The number is down by 191 calls.  
19 Arrests for the month, we had 12 criminal  
20 arrests; 13 nontraffic, 30 traffic arrests, 13  
21 written traffic warnings, and 27 verbal traffic  
22 warnings.

23 Officer Tillia, he resigned from his  
24 position as a part-time officer. He was just  
25 in the middle of getting trained. He got a

1 full-time job with Blakely. Officer Buckley  
2 was his last day today. He got a full-time job  
3 down in Edwardsville.

4 Scheduling, we had five overtime  
5 shifts for the month for overtime. Officer  
6 Burgette took part in his monthly SWAT training  
7 on April 8th. April 21 to 24 myself, Captain  
8 Barth, Sergeant Richardson and Sergeant  
9 Burgette and Detective Mentz took part in a  
10 four day Coding Path Finder training in  
11 Hershey. That's our new reporting software  
12 that we're going to cloud based.

13 Everybody in the county has to be on  
14 it. It was actually a good four days. From  
15 the start of the year until the end of April,  
16 we have collected \$3,196 including coin, credit  
17 card and pay by phone transactions.

18 For the month of April, we collected  
19 \$295 in parking tickets, seven citations were  
20 sent out for failure to pay. April 26th,  
21 officers assisted with traffic control in the  
22 Jog for Jude. And everything was good with no  
23 issues at all.

24 We also got some grant money from  
25 the state again. And we're going to be doing

1           pedestrian crosswalk enforcement. So if you  
2           see our guys walking through the crosswalks and  
3           stopping people that we'll be out there in the  
4           next couple weeks. Thank you.

5                     ALL MEMBERS: Thanks, Chief.

6                     MR. WOLFF: Chief DeNaples.

7                     CHIEF DENAPLES: Good evening,  
8           Council. For the month of May, the only  
9           expenditure we had projected that was somewhat  
10          large was our annual pump service testing for  
11          the ladder truck. That was approximately \$500.  
12          The other two apparatus, they are getting done  
13          during refurb. So we're not going to be paying  
14          twice for that.

15                    As far as the overtime scheduled was  
16          324 hours. That went up somewhat due to one of  
17          our firefighters having a medical emergency at  
18          one of the last fires we had. So I'm not sure  
19          how long he's going to be out at this point.  
20          He was trying to schedule another appointment.

21                    He was originally given a slip to  
22          come back Friday. But that was given by the  
23          hospital. And that is no way near accurate.  
24          So he's waiting to get an appointment.  
25          Hopefully he's going to get that scheduled

1           between today and tomorrow.

2                   MS. BRIER: With a cardiologist?

3                   CHIEF DENAPLES: A cardiologist,  
4           correct, yes. He was actually at the firehouse  
5           in the Borough building late morning this  
6           morning.

7                   Fifty three part-time shifts were  
8           put out again. That's going to go up a little  
9           bit presumably with him being out as soon as we  
10          find out a definite time frame. Events we  
11          participated in this month was the healthy kids  
12          day.

13                   Annually we send the ladder truck.  
14          I'll set it up at the YMCA, May 3rd. We were  
15          up there from 10 to 2. It was a pretty good  
16          turnout except for the last couple hours we got  
17          heavy rain. So they cut it short early. As  
18          far as the truck refurb, we had a little bit of  
19          another setback on the rescue.

20                   So I'm hoping by the end of this  
21          month it's back and we could switch it out with  
22          the engine. We still have Scranton's engine up  
23          there as a reserve base. We're using that as  
24          needed. It's not something that is used every  
25          day, but we're using it when we need to use it.



1 MS. BRIER: Is that the first one,  
2 Chief?

3 CHIEF DENAPLES: The first one. So  
4 there was several delays in parts. They were  
5 having issues getting parts. It seems to be a  
6 nationwide thing with everything, parts. The  
7 only other thing that I would like to bring up,  
8 I know, Janet, you were there the one day when  
9 I had a gentleman out there Costanzo looking at  
10 the ramp on the Pine Street side.

11 So DPW tried to patch that a couple  
12 times. And that really wasn't able to hold up.  
13 So what I'm trying to prevent is getting in the  
14 same situation we had out front. We were lucky  
15 enough to get that grant. We actually went  
16 over that to replace it.

17 So the quote we got was 5,800 and  
18 change to seal that and do it properly. Now  
19 would be the time to do it when we can put the  
20 trucks outside because in the winter months,  
21 they will freeze outside.

22 So I'd like to, you know, if we  
23 could take a look at that. I did call a couple  
24 other companies besides for Costanzo. They did  
25 the front and they did a perfect job. And it

1           seems like everybody you call, we'll get back  
2           to you and you don't hear back from them.  
3           They're so busy. So I really -- I know it's a  
4           heavy fee.

5                     But I'd like to preserve that so we  
6           don't get into a \$30,000 bill to replace that  
7           whole thing.

8                     MR. HALLINAN: L R Costanzo could do  
9           it immediately?

10                    CHIEF DENAPLES: They could. They  
11           were actually -- they called me about a week  
12           ago. And it was still in approval process.  
13           But they actually wanted to come two days after  
14           they sent me the quote and I said we're still  
15           going through the approval process.

16                    As far as for call volume for the  
17           last month, the month of April, we had 60 total  
18           calls, 2 fire type incidents, rescue and  
19           emergency medical services was 16, hazardous  
20           materials, hazardous condition was 7, service  
21           calls were 5, good intent was 7, false alarms  
22           and false calls were 21, special type incidents  
23           was two. And that's what got us to 60. So  
24           that's pretty much my report.

25                    MS. BRIER: Thanks.

1 ALL MEMBERS: Thanks, Chief.

2 MR. WOLFF: Number 15, public  
3 comment.

4 MS. BRIER: Would anyone from the  
5 public like to come up and have a comment or  
6 have a question? Just come up to the podium  
7 and give your name and address. Thanks, Deb,  
8 just for Maria.

9 MS. MURPHY: My name is Debra  
10 Murphy. I live at 2011 Delaware Street,  
11 Dunmore. I have a couple complaints and I'm  
12 sure everybody has a lot of them. I live on  
13 the corner of Delaware and that alley and I  
14 have been complaining for years. Forty years  
15 ago we wanted to buy it and they told us that  
16 we couldn't because it needed to be a fire  
17 truck thing.

18 But the fire trucks do not use it.  
19 So I've been trying to buy it. I have been  
20 asking to have it paved. The holes, there's  
21 mud all over my house. It's gotten on the  
22 windows, the grates in the windows fall out. I  
23 have since gotten a different window so they  
24 are in between.

25 And I have a new fence, like,

1           without the chain link. I have the slats put  
2           in. And today I noticed the mud is still going  
3           through.

4                     MS. BRIER: From the holes.

5                     MS. MURPHY: From the holes. And it  
6           was just patched. And I washed my fence last  
7           week. And I can't afford to use my water every  
8           week to wash my house. And I was told by  
9           somebody that is not here anymore that it  
10          needed to be all dug out and redone.

11                    And I know nothing has been done  
12          definitely over 25 years and definitely longer  
13          so --

14                    MS. BRIER: Does everyone know where  
15          she's talking about?

16                    MR. WOLFF: I didn't hear what the  
17          issue was.

18                    MS. BRIER: It's Delaware Street,  
19          like, across from Golden --

20                    MS. ZANGARDI: Golden's Funeral  
21          Home, the alley.

22                    MR. LOUGHNEY: Barton Street to Trip  
23          to Delaware.

24                    MS. BRIER: It just flows into  
25          Barton --

1 MS. ZANGARDI: The alley she's  
2 talking about.

3 MS. BRIER: She lives right next to  
4 the alley.

5 MS. MURPHY: It's not even 3 feet  
6 between the alley and my house.

7 MR. WOLFF: The potholes and stuff  
8 is that what we're --

9 MS. MURPHY: They go in the holes  
10 and they speed. And one time they put speed  
11 bumps in and somebody complained about the  
12 speed bumps and they came and they took the  
13 speed bumps out. I mean, it's just -- I mean,  
14 is it possible to buy it? It's not an alley.  
15 It's actually a street on my deed.

16 MS. BRIER: Oh, it is. What's the  
17 street name; do you remember?

18 MS. MURPHY: I'm not sure. I didn't  
19 look at it today to make sure. The alley  
20 behind the bank, I don't know if that's  
21 Brook --

22 MR. LOUGHNEY: The alley behind the  
23 bank is Exchange Court.

24 MS. MURPHY: Okay, so mine might be  
25 Brook.

1 MR. HALLINAN: The street, does it  
2 run the whole length of your property and the  
3 Connors' property?

4 MS. MURPHY: Yes.

5 MR. HALLINAN: Would it be feasible  
6 then for us to try to deed it over to you?

7 MS. MURPHY: Cindy Frick, we -- I  
8 asked her last year if she would buy half and  
9 then I would buy the other half and put a  
10 barrier where it couldn't be a throughway.

11 MR. HALLINAN: It's a busy street.

12 MS. MURPHY: And they fly there.

13 MR. LOUGHNEY: It's a busy alley  
14 because once you come down Barton, you're kind  
15 of committed to go through that alley.

16 MS. MURPHY: Right. But people are  
17 using it to get away from West Drinker.

18 MR. LOUGHNEY: But we couldn't shut  
19 it down and give it to you.

20 MS. BRIER: We could look into it.

21 MS. ZANGARDI: We have to look into.  
22 It might be too busy of a throughway to just  
23 sell it to you -- and is the Connors over there  
24 or did you say Cindy Frink?

25 MS. MURPHY: Cindy Frick lives

1           behind me.

2                   MS. ZANGARDI: It would be three or  
3           four property owners, okay.

4                   MS. MURPHY: There's an empty lot  
5           Cathy Demeris{phonetic} bought. And she yelled  
6           at me because she said you've been trying to  
7           buy this for 25 years. And she left town. I  
8           think there is only two houses on my block to  
9           the -- Blakely that don't have driveways.

10                  MS. BRIER: We could look into that,  
11           Deb. We have a five minute limit. But thank  
12           you.

13                  MS. MURPHY: I'm frustrated. It's  
14           got on my dinning room windows in the back of  
15           my house. And Didge came through once with the  
16           street cleaner.

17                  MS. ZANGARDI: How did that go for  
18           you?

19                  MS. MURPHY: I'm a thorn in his  
20           side.

21                  MS. BRIER: Thanks, Deb. We'll see  
22           what we can do.

23                  MS. ZANGARDI: Thank you, Debbie.

24                  MS. MURPHY: Thanks for listening.

25                  MR. LOUGHNEY: That wasn't bad, Deb.

1 MS. BRIER: Would anyone else like  
2 to address Council? Sure.

3 MR. RUDDY: Hello. How are you, Bob  
4 Ruddy, 1305 Madison Avenue, Dunmore. It's been  
5 brought to my attention that maybe possibly  
6 some community people in the community may be  
7 interested in practicing Yoga. I'm a Yoga  
8 instructor.

9 I was looking to see if I could  
10 maybe use the DCC or Schautz Stadium possibly  
11 Sunday mornings, one hour, 8:30, 9:30 or 10  
12 to 11 depending on what happens, charge a low  
13 fee, 10, 15 bucks, split the cost with the  
14 community and myself.

15 It's in my experience that these  
16 things start off a little slow and with  
17 vacation it's all who knows what will happen.  
18 I will advertise on Facebook and put up some  
19 fliers around the community. I don't know if  
20 this would be something that is accessible. I  
21 would label it as beginners Yoga trying to  
22 bring the community that's already great a  
23 little closer together.

24 MS. BRIER: Bob, they do do Yoga  
25 here twice a week with.



1 MR. RUDDY: Right with Mindy.

2 MS. BRIER: Mindy, Tuesday and  
3 Thursday, but it's free.

4 MR. RUDDY: It's free. That's where  
5 I was wondering I didn't know if I should offer  
6 it free for community members or whatever.  
7 It's something that I'm just -- I'm really into  
8 it.

9 And it was brought to my attention  
10 that maybe some people in the community is also  
11 interested and I figured maybe give it 8 to 12  
12 week class see if it catches on. If not, we'll  
13 let it go. If it does, we'll see what could  
14 happen in the future.

15 MS. BRIER: What is our hours here  
16 on Sunday?

17 MR. KEARNEY: I have two steady  
18 rentals on Sunday.

19 MR. DEMPSEY: Bob, you're welcome to  
20 come up to Schautz.

21 MS. ZANGARDI: Sunday morning here,  
22 Chris?

23 MR. KEARNEY: From 9 to 11:30 I have  
24 a group of guys that have been playing here  
25 since I started. And then there is another

1 group that I just got last year. The guys that  
2 have been here the longest are on the full  
3 court. They pay. The other group is down at  
4 the other end on the one court. I just got  
5 them. They pay --

6 MR. HALLINAN: This room would be  
7 open if you need it.

8 MR. KEARNEY: Yeah. I mean, you  
9 would probably have to move --

10 MR. HALLINAN: Schautz Stadium might  
11 be a better place.

12 MR. DEMPSEY: That would be really  
13 cool on a Sunday morning, everybody out to see  
14 you. You'll be seen out there too. That could  
15 bring more people who want to get involved --

16 MR. HALLINAN: -- up there that  
17 Mike's trying to hunt down.

18 MR. DEMPSEY: I think it's just a  
19 cat now.

20 MR. RUDDY: It's just a thought.  
21 And, of course, with vacations in the summer  
22 and people have things going on, of course, I  
23 don't know what to expect. I figured it might  
24 be worth giving it a shot.

25 MR. DEMPSEY: Bobby, I could give

1           you my number after that and I could let you  
2           know available dates that I have open and we  
3           can go from there.

4                   MR. RUDDY:   Beautiful.  Thank you,  
5           Mike.

6                   MR. HALLINAN:  Namaste.

7                   MR. RUDDY:  Namaste.

8                   MS. BRIER:  Anyone else want to  
9           address Council tonight?  Seeing none.

10                  MR. WOLFF:  All right.  Public  
11           officials.  I have nothing.

12                  ATTY. PERRY:  I have nothing.

13                  MAYOR CONWAY:  I just want to say  
14           one thing.  I know Sergeant Burgette's here.  
15           The other day I saw a situation that wasn't  
16           very good happening.  And I called the second  
17           shift and Sergeant Burgette was on so I gave  
18           him a call.

19                       Not even a minute later it was him  
20           and the entire shift were already down there.  
21           It was a bad situation that I think they  
22           handled very well.  It just goes to show that  
23           these guys are on it.  So I just want to give  
24           credit to second shift and Sergeant Burgette.  
25           And that's all I have.

1 MR. LOUGHNEY: I'd like to  
2 compliment Sergeant Burgette too. He took care  
3 of a situation close to my neighborhood that I  
4 didn't even know it was going on. But,  
5 Stephon, thank you very much. You know,  
6 they're aware and they're alert and they're out  
7 there.

8 Also, Chief DeNaples, good job to  
9 the Fire Department for that structure fire.  
10 I'm glad nobody got seriously hurt. And I hope  
11 Firefighter Waters comes through it. And tell  
12 the entire department great job out there. And  
13 to all the candidates that are running next  
14 week, good luck.

15 It's not easy putting your name out  
16 there for criticism or praise and I give  
17 everyone praise for doing that and best of  
18 luck.

19 MR. O'MALLEY: Thank you.

20 MS. BRIER: Mike?

21 MR. DEMPSEY: Yeah, two quick  
22 things, Chief, great job. I'm glad nobody was  
23 seriously injured. I hope Firefighter Waters  
24 is on the mend. I did talk to him. He seems  
25 to be doing better. So that's good news. Is

1           Burgette here? He's popular tonight because I  
2           was going to bring this up. The Bucks varsity  
3           baseball team just won tonight. That clinches  
4           home field advantage for the playoffs. I had  
5           an issue. It might have been the same day as  
6           Max's where I had to call Stephon because the  
7           fans were getting pretty unruly up there and a  
8           couple got tossed out.

9                        So he came up with the second shift  
10           guys, Aronica -- I forgot who else was there  
11           but they responded again in minutes. It brings  
12           me to my question to Max -- maybe not a  
13           question but a comment.

14                      Max and Chief, if our guys, maybe  
15           the union we could approach the school district  
16           maybe Superintendant Marichak and see if  
17           they'll hire two of our guys like they do for  
18           football and they do for basketball to stand up  
19           there because we're going to have home playoff  
20           games.

21                      The fans are right on top of the  
22           kids. They're right on top of the umpires.  
23           And it does get a little dicey up there.

24                      CHIEF MARCHESE: If we don't get an  
25           answer let me know. I'll make sure we have

1           enough guys --

2                   MR. DEMPSEY:   Would you be  
3           interested in getting those extra shifts?  I  
4           could take guys off the road to do and  
5           sometimes they can't respond.  It might be  
6           better to have them schedule and have --

7                   MS. BRIER:   Yeah, like they do for  
8           the football --

9                   MR. DEMPSEY:   Maybe we could get  
10          together tomorrow and call Marichak.

11                   MS. BRIER:   That's a great idea.

12                   MR. DEMPSEY:   Stephon had the idea.  
13          That's it.

14                   MR. O'MALLEY:   I'd also like to  
15          thank Chief DeNaples and the Fire Department,  
16          job well done.  Thankfully no one was seriously  
17          injured.  Hopefully Firefighter Waters is on  
18          the mend.

19                   I would also like to thank art  
20          teacher Cristin Hogan and her art students for  
21          their incredible work on the mural out here.  
22          It only took them like maybe three times coming  
23          to work on it.  It's done.  It's beautiful.  
24          It's great.  So I want to say thank you to  
25          them, acknowledge them and that's all I have.

1 MS. BRIER: Thank you. Tommy.

2 MR. HALLINAN: Didge, I was just  
3 wondering I was going to say before for Debbie,  
4 can we run the street sweeper through there and  
5 help out and then after you sweep it up can we  
6 get it patched?

7 MS. MURPHY: It needs a lot more  
8 than that.

9 MR. HALLINAN: I'm just saying so we  
10 could start going and getting something done,  
11 you know?

12 MS. MURPHY: Every single time it  
13 rains it gets muddy again.

14 MR. JUDGE: That's been patched a  
15 hundred times. It has to be dug up and milled  
16 up and done right. It probably hasn't been  
17 paved in 30 years.

18 MS. MURPHY: I could remember at  
19 least 25.

20 MR. JUDGE: I'll look at it  
21 tomorrow.

22 MS. MURPHY: It's not fixable. I  
23 was told by somebody that is retired it needs  
24 to be milled.

25 MR. HALLINAN: Probably needs to be

1           dug right up. It's a mess.

2                   MS. MURPHY: Thank you for  
3           listening.

4                   MR. HALLINAN: Also, Chief Marchese,  
5           I just got complaints of -- could you keep an  
6           eye on Barton Street? I'm sure you are doing  
7           something there. I don't want to get into your  
8           business. Somebody is very upset about what's  
9           going on down there.

10                   CHIEF MARCHESE: Yeah, I'm aware.

11                   MR. HALLINAN: Thank you. That's  
12           all.

13                   CHIEF MARCHESE: We made several  
14           arrests there over the last couple months.

15                   MR. HALLINAN: There's kids in and  
16           out. They're unruly. They're cursing at  
17           people. They don't even know what's going on.  
18           Do they live there? Do they don't live there?  
19           It's bad. And they are very disrespectful to  
20           the neighbors in that area.

21                   And another thing, Bucktown Music  
22           Fest starts before our next meeting. So that  
23           will be June 8th. And we had a great turnout  
24           of donations this year, whole new venue, a  
25           different -- couple different genres of music.



1 I hope everything works out there. Thank you.  
2 That's all I got.

3 MS. BRIER: Beth.

4 MS. ZANGARDI: I'm good. Thank you,  
5 just a successful Jog for Jude. Thank God.  
6 Thank you to the Fire and Police Department --  
7 actually all the departments for everything you  
8 do really. You guys were busy this month. So  
9 thank for everything. That's it for me. Thank  
10 you.

11 MS. BRIER: Katherine.

12 MS. OVEN: I just want to  
13 congratulate Chief DeNaples on that fire  
14 successfully putting that out with no injuries.  
15 And hopefully Firefighter Waters is back soon.

16 MS. BRIER: Yeah, I just want to  
17 talk about everything that has been going on  
18 here in this facility. I mean, Chris made sure  
19 the whole thing got painted and the mural.

20 It's a very, very well used  
21 facility. And he keeps it moving. You know,  
22 they'll have 500 people for Indian festival.  
23 And between Bidy and pickleball and the yoga,  
24 I mean, it's astounding the number of people in  
25 and out of here. And it's just a great

1 community asset.

2 And Jog for Jude, like, the big  
3 ones, the big ones are really difficult to pull  
4 off. And, you know, the elections, the Jog for  
5 Jude, there is a lot. It's a heavily used  
6 facility. I just want to acknowledge Chris's  
7 work here and thank both the Fire Department  
8 and the Police Department for a successful day  
9 for Jog for Jude.

10 And even your expertise, Chief, you  
11 know, regarding, you know, that other issue.  
12 So thank you very much. I just wanted to  
13 announce too Council is going on their summer  
14 schedule starting in June. So we'll only be  
15 meeting one day a month June, July, and August.  
16 Typically we meet two days. So that will be  
17 out on the website.

18 MR. WOLFF: Yeah, it's on there.

19 MS. BRIER: It's on there, okay.

20 Thanks so much.

21 MR. WOLFF: Motion to adjourn then.

22 MS. BRIER: Can I have a motion to  
23 adjourn?

24 MR. O'MALLEY: Motion.

25 MR. DEMPSEY: Second.

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MS. ZANGARDI: Second.

MS. BRIER: All those in favor.

ALL MEMBERS: Aye.

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